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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
(Attorney Docket No. 98,375-C)

In re Application of:

Mehta, et al.

Serial No.: 09/701,979

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on a Microscope Slide

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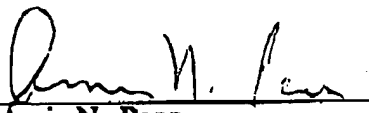
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In regard to the above-identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached
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  - b. Return Receipt Postcard
2. With respect to additional fees:
  - a. No fee is required.
3. Please charge any deficiency in the amount due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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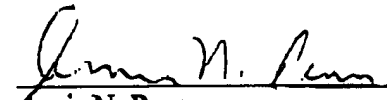
On February 6, 2001, Applicant, through its attorney, submitted a Declaration and Power of Attorney, in response to a notification of missing requirements of application, for serial number 09/701,979, claiming small entity status. The signing attorney was unaware that Applicant has attained status as a large entity. Applicant hereby notifies the PTO that it is no longer entitled to status as a small entity, and that the claim for small entity status, set forth in the response to notification of missing requirements of application, is hereby withdrawn. The erroneous claim to small entity status was made in good faith, without any intent whatsoever to deceive or commit fraud on the Patent Office. It is believed that no fee is due at this time, since, at the time the application was filed, Applicant paid the large entity fee (including the surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed

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priority date, according to 37 CFR 1.492(e)). If any additional fees are due, please charge them to Deposit Account 13-2490.

Respectfully submitted,  
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